

PROGRAMMING

This decoder supports all program modes and read back features. With MRC Prodigy Advance DCC you can read its address and CV value.

CV	Description	Range	Default
CV1	Short address	1-127	3
CV2	Start voltage	0-63	10
CV3	Acceleration, 1=1 sec, max is 63 sec to reach top speed	0-63	0
CV4	Deceleration, 1=1 sec, max is 63 sec to stop at top speed	0-63	0
CV5	Top voltage, 63=full speed, 0=half of the top speed	0-63	63
CV29	Basic configuration	---	2
CV7	Manufacturer version number	---	0
CV8	Manufacturer ID	---	143
CV17	Long address upper byte	192-231	192
CV18	Long address lower byte	0-255	3
CV19	Advanced consist address	0-127	0
CV21	When CV21=0, functions follow its own address. CV21=1, functions follow the consist address	---	0
CV37	0=normal, 1=F3 and F4 exchange	0-1	0
CV39	0=normal, 1=F5 and F6 exchange	0-1	0
CV42	0=normal, 1=F8 and F12 exchange	0-1	0
CV49	Master sound volume, 16=max volume, 0=sound off	0-16	16
CV50	Horn type, 22=off	0-22	0
CV51	Horn volume	0-15	12
CV52	Bell type, 8=off	0-8	0
CV53	Bell volume	0-15	12
CV54	Bell ring rate	0-50	3
CV55	Prime mover volume	0-15	12
CV56	Brake squeal volume	0-15	12
CV57	Dynamic brake volume	0-15	12
CV58	Air release volume	0-15	12
CV59	Air pump volume	0-15	12
CV60	Safety pop valve volume	0-15	12
CV61	Engine cooling fan volume	0-15	12
CV62	Coupling volume	0-15	12
CV63	F3 control air release enable	0-1	1
CV64	Rail wheel clack	0-15	12
CV65	Kick start voltage	0-63	63
CV67-94	28 speed steps table with CV29.4=1	1-255	linear
CV112	Back EMF start speed adjustment	0-7	0
CV113	Back EMF Load control proportional gain Kp	0-31	20
CV114	Back EMF Load control integral gain Ki	0-31	10
CV115	Brake sound type; 2=brake sound off	0-2	0
CV116	Brightness of dim light	0-255	120
CV117	Headlight light effect	0-16	0
CV118-119	Accessory light mode	0-16	0
CV120	Light brightness	0-255	255
CV121	Air compressor mode (1=change with engine rpm)	0-1	0
CV122	Diesel Notch mode, 0=auto, 3>manual	0-3	0
CV123	Prime mover type, 6 types	0-5	0
CV124	Back EMF Load control intensity (0=off)	0-255	0
CV125	Programming to "1" will restore some CV's to factory settings	---	0

SPEED TABLE CV67-CV94 FOR 28 SPEED STEPS

When CV29's bit 4 is set to "1" it will use the speed table formed by CV67-CV94 to control speed (motor voltage). It allows you to setup each speed for all 28 speed steps. First, program CV29 to 18 for short addresses (1-127) or program CV29 to 50 for long addresses (128-9999) to enable speed table control. Then select throttle to 28 speed steps and run your loco at speed step 1. Use program CV on the main to change CV67's value (1-255) to adjust step 1's speed. The kick voltage, CV65 is only applied when the speed step changes from 0 to 1. You should switch between 0 to 1 many times to check step 1's speed. When done with CV67, select speed step 2 and program CV68. CV68's value must be greater than CV67's. When done with CV67-CV94, use read back CV to make sure their values are in increasing order.

Note: When using MRC Prodigy DCC to program addresses it will automatically disable the speed table (set CV29's bit 4 to "0"). Programming CV125 to 1 will also disable the speed table and re-program CV67-CV94 to a default linear speed setting.

TROUBLE SHOOTING

Reset: *Whenever the decoder doesn't work, please use the program track to program CV# 125 with value 1 to restore the decoder to factory settings. This should bring the decoder to life with address #3.* This decoder should perform well with all DCC systems. If it responds to slowly, you should clear its momentum by reprogramming CV3 and CV4 to zero. If step 1's speed is too high, you should program start voltage, CV2 to zero. If its top speed is too slow, program top voltage CV5 to 31. You should also clean the track to improve electrical pickup. Read your DCC system manual to learn how to program and operate the decoder. For more information about registers/CVs and their functions, please refer to the NMRA DCC Standard & Recommended Practices, RP-9.2.2. This is available directly from the NMRA or their website at www.nmra.org.

FCC COMPLIANCE

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions. (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

RETURN PROCEDURE

This decoder carries a 6 month warranty against factory defects. This warranty does not include abuse, misuse, neglect, improper installation, or any modifications made to this decoder, including but not limited to the removal of the NMRA plug if applicable. If it should become necessary to return the decoder for warranty repair/replacement, **please include a copy of the original sales receipt.** A letter (printed clearly) with your name, address, daytime phone number, and a detailed description of the problem you are experiencing. Please also include a check or a money order for \$11.00 to cover return shipping and handling. If the decoder is no longer considered under warranty, then please contact Model Rectifier Corp. for a price quote to cover the cost of repair or replacement of the decoder, and return shipping and handling. **Customers outside the continental United States, including: Hawaii, Alaska, Canada and Mexico, have to contact MRC for exact return shipping rates for both warranty and non-warranty repairs.** **Contact rtech@modelrectifier.com.** Be certain to return the decoder only. Any questions regarding Warranty Policy can be directed to our Customer Service Department by calling 732-225-6360 between the hours of 8:30am and 6:00pm EST, or by emailing: rtech@modelrectifier.com

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for Athearn SD45/SD70

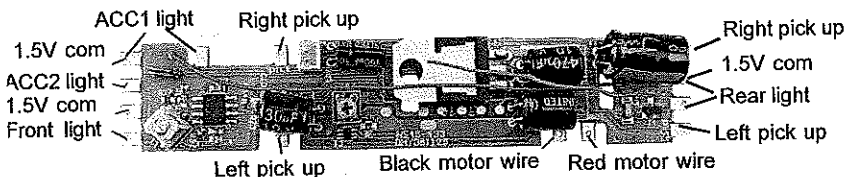
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Thank you for purchasing our most advanced 16 bit DCC locomotive sound decoder. Combined with any DCC System, MRC Blackbox or Tech 6, our true live capture digital sound decoder will make your model railroad come to life.

- Six synchronized prime mover sounds
- 1.5 amp capacity
- 22 different types of horns and 8 bells
- Adjustable individual sound volumes (16 levels)
- Programmable either 2-digit or 4-digit addresses
- Programmable start voltage and top voltage
- Programmable acceleration and deceleration rates
- Programmable 14, 28, 128 speed steps
- Back EMF load control
- User controlled service brake and dynamic brake with sound
- Supports read back address and CV values
- Advanced speed table control CV67-CV94
- Kick start voltage control CV65
- Easy function mapping
- 17 light effects: ditch lights, mars light, gyra light, strobe light, prime strobe...
- 28 accessory functions (F1-F28)
- Supports advanced consisting (CV19)
- Supports programming on the main (OPS mode)
- Compatible with NMRA DCC standards
- Complies with Part 15 of FCC Rules
- 28mm Speaker included
- Dimensions: 96.0mm x 17.8mm x 11.0mm

INSTALLATION

The decoder is designed for Athearn SD45/SD60/SD70 Genesis models with 28mm speaker holder. Remove the original PCB. Mount the sound decoder and speaker. Follow the diagram to connect wires. We prefer you solder wires to the decoder for a better connection. If you don't solder, please make sure no wires touch any components on the decoder.



If you install the decoder into another brand of loco and need 12V for the lights you should use any pickup tab as the light com tab. If your loco has LED lights you should use in series a 1K Ohm resistor. Make sure the motor terminals are isolated from the pickup.

OPERATION

For DC operation you must purchase MRC wireless transmitter (#0001824). It allows you to control the loco speed, direction and sound.

The decoder has a default address #3. Select address #3 on your DCC system. Release service brake (F5) and dynamic brake (F6). You will hear the brake release sound when you turn off F5. Move up the throttle and the loco should start to move. If the loco does not move a speed 1 you can add more start voltage by programming CV2 with a larger number. You can program the acceleration momentum CV3 and deceleration momentum CV4 to simulate how a real train starts and slows down. The decoder has start up and shut down feature. If the loco was previously shut down you have to start up the engine first. Press any function key to start up the engine. To shut down the engine you must bring the loco to idle and then press F8 three times.

The decoder has six types of diesel rumble. Program CV123 with value of 0 for SD45 and value of 2 for SD70. select the diesel rumbles to match your model. It has 22 different horns and 8 bells. You can use F19 or program CV50 to select horn type. And use F18 or program CV52 to select bell type.

This decoder has an easy function exchange feature (re-mapping) that allows certain pairs of functions to be swapped. For example, program CV37 with a value of 1 will make F3 and F4 exchanged.

The decoder default is set to automatic notch mode. You can program CV122 to 3 for manual notch mode for realistic operation. In the manual notch mode the notch level is not controlled by loco speed. It is controlled by F9 (for notching up) and F8 (for notching down).

To make the air compressor's speed synchronized to the prime mover, program CV121 with a value of 1. For a constant speed program CV121 with a value of 0.

SERVICE BRAKING

To apply the service brake set throttle to zero and press F5. The loco will slow down fast and you will hear the brake squeal. You can pump the brake by turning F5 on and off to stop the loco at the desired location. The brake rate is proportional to deceleration rate that you program in CV4. If you forget to turn off F5 and move the throttle up. The loco will move. However, when you release the throttle the service brake will apply again. The service brake can only operate when throttle is at 0. If you don't hear the brake sound program CV115 with a value of 2.

DYNAMIC BRAKING

You can use dynamic brake F6 to reduce the speed. When you turn on F6 the prime mover will notch down to 1 and you will hear the dynamic brake sound and

the loco will reduce its speed. When you release F6 the loco will speed up to the original speed. If you forget to turn off F6 and move throttle up it will automatically disable the dynamic brake and loco will start to move. To apply dynamic brake again you have to cycle F6 off and on.

BACK EMF LOAD CONTROL (PID CONTROLLER)

This decoder is equipped with adjustable back EMF load control feature. It is a closed loop speed control. With back EMF load control the locomotive will maintain its speed regardless of pulling up hill or driving down hill. You may program the back EMF load control intensity, CV124, to a lower value to get less back EMF load control. This will enable the locomotive to slow down during uphill travel like a real locomotive.

The PID controller contains three components: proportional gain (CV113); the integral gain (CV114); and derivative gain (fixed). Designing (tuning) a PID controller is a kind of "rocket science". So we optimized these gains at the factory but still give the customer final adjustments. We recommend that you do not change these settings. Too much gain may cause the motor to oscillate (become unstable). Too little gain may cause a slow response. Additional knowledge of PID feedback control is required before attempting to adjust CV113 and CV114. If CV113 and CV114 are programmed incorrectly, the locomotive will not run smoothly. Program CV125 to "1" will automatically restore the default PID controller settings. **If you can not get the PID controller work properly or you don't know to tune it, you should program CV6 to enable adaptive PID control to let the decoder to select the best back EMF control for your loco.** You can also turn off the Back EMF load control by program CV124 with a value of 0 if the adaptive control fails.

LIGHT EFFECT PROGRAMMING CHART FOR CV#117/118/119

The decoder has 17 different lights effects. CV 117 controls both front and rear headlight effect. Use F0 to turn on or off the Headlights. CV118/CV119 control ACC1/ACC2 light effect. Use F3 to turn on or off ACC1 and ACC2. For ditch light operation you must program Cv118 and CV119 to the same ditch light type. In type A the ditch lights will flash when F2 (horn) or F3 is on. In type B the ditch lights will flash when F2 is on and stay on when F3 is on. If you use a value inconsistent with actual headlights, (CV117), the headlights will default to normal on/off. For example trying to use a value of 14 in CV117 for firebox flicker, the headlights will default to normal on/off.

LIGHT EFFECT CHART

CV117/118/119	Light effect
0	Normal on/off
1	Dynamo effect (fading)
2	Dim, bright, off cycle
3	Rule 17
4	Both headlights on
5	Ditch Light type A
6	Ditch Light type B
7	Gyalite
8	Mars Light
9	Prime strato light
10	Single strobe light
11	Double strobe light
12	Rotating beacon
13	Fred Rear End Flashing
14	Firebox Flicker A
15	Firebox Flicker B
16	Engine Exhaust Flicker

You may need to program brightness CV120 to adjust the LED light effect for perfect ditch, gyra and mars light.

In Rule17 or dim-bright-off light effect, CV120 is for the brightness of the bright light and CV116 is for the brightness of the dim light.

Function	Idle/Moving
F0	Headlight on/off
F1	Bell on/off
F2	Horn
F3	Accessory light on/off
F4	Coupling 1
F5	Brake handle: brake when moving, brake release when idle
F6	Dynamic brake on/off: turn on will reduce speed
F7	Air hose firing/uncoupling lever
F8	3 times will shut down when in idle / Manual notch down
F9	Engine cooling fan / Manual notch up
F10	Rail wheel clack (only moving)
F11	Traction air compressor
F12	prime mover on/off
F13	Short air release
F14	Coupler crash
F15	Air compressor
F16	Flange squeal
F17	Air release
F18	Change bell type (use F1 to turn off bell after adjustment)
F19	Horn type select
F20	Associated loco sound
F21	Change bell volume (use F1 to turn off bell after adjustment)
F22	Change horn volume
F23	Change prime mover volume
F24	Safety valve pop
F25	Air release
F26	Flange noise
F27	Sand drop
F28	Air compressor speed mode change (CV 121) / with Air release

CV123	Prime mover	Suitable for the locomotive
0	EMD645E	SD39, SD40, SD40A, SD40-2, SD40T-2, SD45, SDP45, SD45X, SD45-2, SD45T-2, F45, FP45, DDA40X, GP15T, GP39, GP39-2, GP40, GP40-2
1	EMD645	SW1000, SW1001, SW1500, SW1504, MP15DC, MP15AC, MP15T, GP38, GP38-2, SD38, SD38-2, GP15AC, GP15-1
2	EMD710	SD70AC, SD70M-2
3	ALCO 244	RS-3, PA1, PB1
4	ALCO 539T	S-2, S-4, RS-1, RSC-1, RSD-1, DL-105, DL107, DL-108, DL-109, DL-110
5	EMD567	F2A/B, F3A/B, F7A/B, F9A/B, BL1, BL2, FP7, FL9, FT, GP7, GP9, GP18, GP28, EB, E7, EB, E9, NW2, NW3, NW4, SW1, SW7, SW8, SW9, SW600, SW900, SW1200